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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1  
TAGS: PFOR, UK, RH  
SUBJECT: DEBRIEFING ON OWEN AFRICA TRIP

1. FOREIGN SECRETARY OWEN CALLED CHARGE THIS MORNING ON HIS RETURN TO LONDON AND MADE FOLLOWING POINTS:

- (1) HE WOULD SEE CHARGE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TOMORROW TO REVIEW HIS IMPRESSIONS OF HIS TRIP AND DISCUSS HOW TO FOCUS ON NEXT STEPS (DAVID AARON, NSC, WILL ACCOMPANY). MEETING NOW SET FOR 5 PM TUESDAY.
- (2) HE RECEIVED AND PASSED ON SECRETARY'S MESSAGE FOR GARBA, WHO INDICATED HE WOULD TRAVEL TO ZAIRE AND ANGOLA DURING COMING WEEK. GARBA WAS NOT VERY HOPEFUL ABOUT SITUATION. OWEN DESCRIBED HIM AS "AMBIVALENT."
- (3) IN ORDER TO GIVE EXACT FLAVOR OF HIS DISCUSSIONS IN AFRICA, HE WOULD SEND FOR INFORMATION OF SECRETARY VANCE A FULL SET OF RECORDS OF HIS MEETINGS, WHICH SHOULD BE AVAILABLE DURING COURSE OF DAY. (THESE WILL BE HAND-CARRIED TO WASHINGTON BY AMBASSADOR PICKERING.)
- (4) HE IS TRANSMITTING SEPARATELY FOR SECRETARY TEXT OF STATEMENT HE INTENDS TO MAKE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS TOMORROW ON RHODESIA. THIS WILL BE IN NATURE OF A PROGRESS REPORT AND WILL MAINTAIN LINE THAT DECISION ON CONVENING CONFERENCE WILL BE MADE IN NEXT "WEEK OR TWO."

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2. OWEN SAID HE WOULD BE PREPARED TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS WE HAD ARISING FROM HIS VISIT AT TOMORROW'S SESSION. REQUEST GUIDANCE.

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